Star tapestry mochila bag

Medium · US terms



Finished size
About 11½ in (29 cm) wide laid flat and 13 in (33 cm) tall, with a strap about 36¾ in (93.5 cm) long

Skill
Intermediate
Two or three colors are used in most rounds, and those not in use are carried inside the stitches.

Yarn
Light (3), 4 colors

Hook
3.5 mm (US E-4)

Gauge
21 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm)
In single crochet (UK double crochet).

What you need

Yarn A: black, the background	**about 400 yd (366 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: turquoise, stripes	**about 130 yd (119 m), an estimate**
Yarn C: hot pink, stripes	**about 100 yd (91 m), an estimate**
Yarn D: yellow, stripes	**about 120 yd (110 m), an estimate**

By weight: about 300 g in all, an estimate, where 100 g is 250 yd (229 m).

Fiber: cotton

Hook: 3.5 mm (US E-4), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a stitch marker, a yarn needle, scissors and a piece of card 3 in (7.5 cm) wide, for the tassels.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 30 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Mini	5¾ in (14.5 cm) wide, 9¼ in (23.5 cm) tall	about 370 yd (338 m)
Medium (this file)	**11½ in (29 cm) wide, 13 in (33 cm) tall**	**about 750 yd (686 m)**

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Gauge

21 stitches and 22 rounds to 4 in (10 cm) in single crochet.

Check your gauge on the piece. Begin the pattern and measure the piece itself as you go. The gauge is checked on the piece itself: after round 20 the base should measure about 7¼ in (18.5 cm) across, laid flat and not stretched. If the piece measures more than that, begin again with a smaller hook; if it measures less, with a larger hook.

Notes

- Begin with a magic ring: wind the yarn once round two fingers, put the hook through the ring, draw up a loop and chain 1 to hold it, which does not count as a stitch. Work round 1 into the ring, then pull the tail to draw the ring closed.
- The rounds are not joined: work in a spiral, and move a marker up to the first stitch of each round.
- The base grows by 6 stitches in every round. Each of its six parts begins where the last one ended, and each color of a part follows on in the order it is written. Where two single crochet go into one stitch, both are in the same color.
- The chain of 1 at the start of a row does not count as a stitch. That is the strap, the only part worked in rows.
- Tapestry crochet: where two or more colors share a round, lay the color or colors of that round not in use along the top of the round before and work over them, all the way round, so that they are carried inside the stitches.
- In the rows of the strap that have two or three colors carry those not in use in the same way, from one end of the row to the other, so that they are there when you turn. In a wrong side row bring the old yarn to the front, toward you, before you draw the new yarn through, so that the yarns always cross on the wrong side.
- Rounds that are never turned lean: each stitch stands slightly right of the one below (slightly left of it if you are left handed), about one stitch in 5 rounds. The stars are corrected for it: after every 5 rounds of the sides the repeat begins one stitch later in the round than before. It is written into every line, so work each line as it stands. For the same reason the start of the round drifts round the bag as it rises.
- To change color, at the start of a round or inside it, draw the new yarn through as the last yarn over of the stitch before. In rounds and rows of one color nothing is carried.
- Where two or three colors share a round, cut nothing at a change: the color you leave is carried. Once a color is no longer in the rounds: where only one or two rounds are worked before it is used again, carry it loosely up the inside; where more are worked, or it is not used again, cut it, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm). In the strap cut B after row 1 and begin it anew for row 11, and cut C and D where they are used no more.
- Colors, round by round. Rounds 1 to 2: D. Rounds 3 to 7: B. Rounds 8 to 9: B and C. Rounds 10 to 13: A and B and C. Rounds 14 to 17: A and C. Rounds 18 to 22: A. Round 23: D. Round 24: A. Rounds 25 to 28: A and B. Rounds 29 to 31: A and B and C. Round 32: A and C and D. Round 33: A and D. Round 34: A and C and D. Rounds 35 to 37: A and B and C. Rounds 38 to 41: A and B. Round 42: A. Round 43: D. Round 44: A. Rounds 45 to 48: A and D. Rounds 49 to 51: A and B and D. Round 52: A and B and C. Round 53: A and C. Round 54: A and B and C. Rounds 55 to 57: A and B and D. Rounds 58 to 61: A and D. Round 62: A. Round 63: B. Round 64: A. Rounds 65 to 68: A and C. Rounds 69 to 71: A and C and D. Round 72: A and B and D. Round 73: A and B. Round 74: A and B and D. Rounds 75 to 77: A and C and D. Rounds 78 to 81: A and C. Round 82: A. Round 83: D. Rounds 84 to 90: A. Round 91: C.
- The stars are rounds 25 to 41, 45 to 61 and 65 to 81. Each is 17 stitches wide and 17 rounds tall, in a repeat of 20 stitches that is worked 6 times in each of these rounds, and it has one small diamond between it and the next star.

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Instructions

Medium. US terms.

ch chain, **sc** single crochet (UK double crochet), **MR** magic ring, **st** stitch, **sp** space, **rnd** round.
sk skip, **RS** right side, the one that shows.
2 sc in next st: both in one stitch. **sc in next 3 sts**: one in each. **ch-1 sp**: the gap under the one chain; the hook goes in the gap.
[ ] 6 times: work what is inside 6 times in all.
(6 sc): the stitches you have when the round is done. **How to read a pattern**.

Bag

Yarns in order of use: D, yellow; B, turquoise; C, hot pink; A, black.

☐ **Foundation**	Make a magic ring.	
☐ **Rnd 1 (RS)**	6 sc in MR. Pull the tail to close the ring.	(6 sc)
☐ **Rnd 2**	2 sc in each st around	(12 sc)
☐ **Rnd 3**	With B, **[**2 sc in next st, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(18 sc)
☐ **Rnd 4**	**[**Sc in next 2 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(24 sc)
☐ **Rnd 5**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(30 sc)
☐ **Rnd 6**	**[**Sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(36 sc)
☐ **Rnd 7**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	(42 sc)
☐ **Rnd 8**	**[**With C, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, 2 sc in next st, with C, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(48 sc)
☐ **Rnd 9**	**[**With C, 2 sc in next st, with B, sc in next 5 sts, with C, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(54 sc)
☐ **Rnd 10**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with C, 2 sc in next st, with A, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(60 sc)
☐ **Rnd 11**	**[**With A, 2 sc in next st, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(66 sc)
☐ **Rnd 12**	**[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(72 sc)
☐ **Rnd 13**	**[**With A, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with B, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	(78 sc)
☐ **Rnd 14**	**[**With A, sc in next 5 sts, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(84 sc)
☐ **Rnd 15**	**[**With A, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 4 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 6 sts**] 6 times**	(90 sc)
☐ **Rnd 16**	**[**With A, sc in next 7 sts, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 5 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(96 sc)
☐ **Rnd 17**	**[**With A, 2 sc in next st, sc in next 6 sts, with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 8 sts**] 6 times**	(102 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 18**	**[**Sc in next 16 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(108 sc)
☐ **Rnd 19**	**[**2 sc in next st, sc in next 17 sts**] 6 times**	(114 sc)
☐ **Rnd 20**	**[**Sc in next 18 sts, 2 sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)

Stop and measure now, after round 20. The base should measure about 7¼ in (18.5 cm) across.

Sides

☐ **Rnds 21 to 22** 21 22	Sc in each st around	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 23**	With D, sc in each st around	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 24**	With A, sc in each st around	(120 sc)

Stars 1

☐ **Rnd 25**	**[**With A, sc in next 4 sts, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 26**	**[**With A, sc in next 5 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 5 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 6 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 27**	**[**With A, sc in next 5 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 6 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 28**	**[**With A, sc in next 5 sts, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 6 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 29**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 30**	**[**With A, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 31**	**[**With A, sc in next 4 sts, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 32**	**[**With D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with D, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 33**	**[**With D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 6 sts, with D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 6 sts, with D, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 34**	**[**With D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with D, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 35**	**[**With A, sc in next 4 sts, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 36**	**[**With A, sc in next 4 sts, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 37**	**[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 38**	**[**With A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 39**	**[**With A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 40**	**[**With A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 5 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 41**	**[**With A, sc in next 8 sts, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)

Between the bands

☐ **Rnd 42**	Sc in each st around	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 43**	With D, sc in each st around	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 44**	With A, sc in each st around	(120 sc)

Stars 2

☐ **Rnd 45**	**[**With A, sc in next 6 sts, with D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 11 sts, with D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 46**	**[**With D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 5 sts, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 11 sts, with D, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 47**	**[**With D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 11 sts, with D, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 48**	**[**With D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 11 sts, with D, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 49**	**[**With D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 50**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 5 sts, with B, sc in next 4 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 51**	**[**With B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 52**	**[**With B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 53**	**[**With A, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 6 sts, with C, sc in next 5 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 54**	**[**With B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 55**	**[**With B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 56**	**[**With B, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 5 sts, with B, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 57**	**[**With B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 58**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 10 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 59**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 10 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 60**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 5 sts, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 10 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 61**	**[**With A, sc in next 2 sts, with D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 9 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)

Between the bands

☐ **Rnd 62**	Sc in each st around	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 63**	With B, sc in each st around	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 64**	With A, sc in each st around	(120 sc)

Stars 3

☐ **Rnd 65**	**[**With C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 11 sts, with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 7 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 66**	**[**With C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 11 sts, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 5 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 67**	**[**With C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 11 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with C, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 68**	**[**With C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 11 sts, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 69**	**[**With C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)

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☐ **Rnd 70**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 5 sts, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 71**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 72**	**[**With D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 73**	**[**With A, sc in next 6 sts, with B, sc in next 5 sts, with A, sc in next 6 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 74**	**[**With D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with B, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with B, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 75**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 7 sts, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 76**	**[**With C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 5 sts, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 77**	**[**With C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts, with D, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 78**	**[**With C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next 11 sts, with C, sc in next 4 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 79**	**[**With A, sc in next st, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 11 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 80**	**[**With A, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 11 sts, with C, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 81**	**[**With A, sc in next 4 sts, with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 11 sts, with C, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 6 times**	(120 sc)

Top

☐ **Rnd 82**	Sc in each st around	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 83**	With D, sc in each st around	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 84**	With A, sc in each st around	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnds 85 to 86**	Sc in each st around	(120 sc)

85 86

☐ **Rnd 87**	Sc in next 3 sts, **[**ch 1, sk next st, sc in next 4 sts**] 23 times**, ch 1, sk next st, sc in next st	(96 sc, 24 ch-1 sps)

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☐ **Rnd 88**	Sc in next 3 sts, **[**sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next 4 sts**] 23 times**, sc in next ch-1 sp, sc in next st	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnds 89 to 90** 89 90	Sc in each st around	(120 sc)
☐ **Rnd 91**	With C, sc in each st around	(120 sc)
☐ **End**	Slip stitch in the next stitch to level the edge. Fasten off, leaving a tail of 6 in (15 cm).	

Strap

Yarns in order of use: B, turquoise; A, black; D, yellow; C, hot pink.

☐ **Foundation**	Ch 194.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Sc in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across	(193 sc)
☐ **Row 2**	With A, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(193 sc)
☐ **Row 3**	Ch 1, turn; **[**with A, sc in next 4 sts, with D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 24 times**, with A, sc in next st	(193 sc)
☐ **Row 4**	Ch 1, turn; **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 24 times**, with A, sc in next st	(193 sc)
☐ **Row 5**	Ch 1, turn; **[**with A, sc in next 2 sts, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 24 times**, with A, sc in next st	(193 sc)
☐ **Row 6**	Ch 1, turn; **[**with A, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next 3 sts, with D, sc in next 2 sts**] 24 times**, with A, sc in next st	(193 sc)
☐ **Row 7**	Ch 1, turn; **[**with A, sc in next 2 sts, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with C, sc in next st, with D, sc in next 2 sts, with A, sc in next st**] 24 times**, with A, sc in next st	(193 sc)
☐ **Row 8**	Ch 1, turn; **[**with A, sc in next 3 sts, with D, sc in next 3 sts, with A, sc in next 2 sts**] 24 times**, with A, sc in next st	(193 sc)
☐ **Row 9**	Ch 1, turn; **[**with A, sc in next 4 sts, with D, sc in next st, with A, sc in next 3 sts**] 24 times**, with A, sc in next st	(193 sc)
☐ **Row 10**	Ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(193 sc)

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☐ **Row 11**	With B, ch 1, turn; sc in each st across	(193 sc)
☐ **End**	Fasten off, leaving a tail of 24 in (61 cm) to sew one end. To sew the other end, cut a new length of the same yarn, also 24 in (61 cm).	

Assembly

1. Weave in all the tails of the bag on the inside and all the tails of the strap on its wrong side, but not the long tail of the strap.

2. The strap is about 36¾ in (93.5 cm) long and 2 in (5 cm) wide. Flatten the bag with the middle of one small diamond of the top band, between two stars, in the middle of the front, so that there is a side fold at each side. Lay the end of the strap that has the long tail upright on the outside of the bag at one side fold, its right side out, the middle of its width on the fold and the rest of the strap pointing up. Its short end lies along the foot of round 81, and the strap covers rounds 81 to 86, the six rounds just below the round of spaces. With that tail sew it down all round the part that lies on the bag, through the strap and the bag, with one stitch for each stitch or row of the strap: along its short end, up both its long edges, and across it along the top of round 86. Fasten off on the inside.

3. Bring the strap over to the other side fold without a twist, and sew its other end on there in the same way with the new length of B, leaving 4 in (10 cm) at its start to weave in. From the middle of one end to the middle of the other there are 60 stitches of round 86, both across the front and across the back.

4. For the braided cord cut two strands each of B, C and D, 65 in (165 cm) long, 6 strands. Lay them together and knot them 2 in (5 cm) from one end. Braid them in three parts, the two strands of each color held as one: lay the part at your right over the middle one, then the part at your left over the new middle one, and so on, drawing the parts snug, until the braid is about 45 in (114.5 cm) long. Tie a scrap of yarn tightly round the end so that it does not open.

5. Find the two neighboring spaces of round 87 that have the small diamond at the middle of the front straight below the gap between them, or nearly so, out of the 24 chain-1 spaces. Take the tied end of the braid in from the outside through one of the two, out through the next space on the side away from the other, in through the one after that, and so on all round the bag, passing behind the strap at each side. It comes out last through the other of the two, so that both ends hang at the middle of the front. Make both ends equally long, take the scrap of yarn off, and knot that end like the other.

6. Make two tassels. For each, wind B 28 times round the card, slip a 14 in (35 cm) length of B under the loops at one edge of the card and knot it tight in its middle. Take the loops off the card and cut them at the other edge. Wind a 14 in (35 cm) length of C six times round the strands about ½ in (1.5 cm) below the knot, knot its two ends together and hide them among the strands. Trim the strands level.

7. With the two ends of its tie sew one tassel to each end of the braid, just above the knot there; the knot and the ends of the braid below it hang among the strands of the tassel. Fasten off, hide the ends of the tie in the tassel, and trim the ends of the braid to the length of the tassel.

8. Draw the braid up to close the bag and tie its two ends once, in a single knot, at the middle of the front.

Finishing

- Pat the bag into shape over your fist and let the strap hang straight.

In all: 2 pieces; 11,879 stitches (9,756 in the bag, 2,123 in the strap).

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